

Brilliant Meteor at Washington.
On Saturday, about ten minutes past 10 p. m., one of the most brilliant meteors passed over Washington City which the editor of the *Intelligencer* ever saw; indeed, its light was intense, and it was apparently so near that its sudden flight startled more than one pedestrian. Originating near Arcturus, it passed just west of Betelgeuse, (near major), and disappeared at the same elevation above the horizon, but about ten degrees west of the polar star. The light was quite equal to that of the brightest rockets, illuminating every object almost as vividly, and, seemingly, it was at no greater elevation above the city.

Its path was marked by a ruddy train of several sounds' duration through the whole trajectory, and, what was peculiarly remarkable, the portion of the train between Arcturus and Betelgeuse, after the rest had disappeared, gradually curved from the latter star toward the zenith, until it formed a right angle with its angle to the eastward. This remained visible for several minutes. There was no explosion, nor any audible noise during its flight.

The same meteor was seen in Newark, and a correspondent writes *The Tribune* as follows respecting it:

On Saturday evening, about 10 35, p. m., there appeared in the west a meteor—apparently of a highly concentrated nebulous character—which presented a most beautiful appearance. Its course commenced at about 35 degrees from the horizon and continued obliquely for perhaps 6 or 8 degrees when it disappeared. The intensity of its light was so great that a post near us cast a moving shadow quite as strong as though made by moonlight. The tint of the ball was slightly bluish, and the train presented a luminous appearance for some seconds after the phenomenon had disappeared. A common shooting star disappears suddenly, but this meteor was accompanied by an apparent explosion, and a discharge of luminous balls precisely resembling the bursting of a rocket.

Wild and tame ducks, if young, will be limber-footed; if fat, hard and thick on the lower part of the body. A wild duck has red feet, and smaller than tame ones.

Like an cattle, it is said, may be destroyed by rubbing soft soap on their backs and necks.

JOHN W. FOSTER, a Quaker, and a leading Rhode Island Abolitionist, has recently renounced his abolitionism, and in doing so says that those who make up the abolition party are quacks—that they are sincere only in their desire to humbug the public, and that they have injured the slave to an extent that cannot be repaired in a quarter of a century.

Nutmegs grow spontaneously in the mountains of California, longer and more tapering in shape than the nutmegs of commerce, and superior in pungent flavor.

A negro woman in Bowling Green, Ky., was delivered a few days since of a pair of twins one of whom was perfectly white, and the other a pure African.

Wanted to Hire Immediately! Good Axe-Men.

To clear the timber off the line of the Rail Road, from here to Palmyra.
Persons wishing to Contract for Grading Sections on this line, can get a Fair Price per Cubic Yard for doing the same, and Payments made Satisfactory to them by applying to me, at this place or Palmyra.
Hannibal, May 10, 1853.—(42w*) M. SIZER.

GOODS.

BOUGHT BEFORE THE RISE!
THE LARGEST and the greatest assortment of goods ever brought to Hannibal, just now received, and will be sold certain. The subscriber would particularly call the attention of his wholesale customers to this fact, and all persons coming to Hannibal to purchase goods will find it greatly to their advantage to call on
ap22-d-11. T. R. SELMES.

MACKEREL.—New Crop. PRIME ARTICLE.

100 BARRELS AND HALF BARRELS, just now arrived and for sale wholesale (right cheap), by
T. R. SELMES.

J. H. & T. A. McDANNOLD,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.
HANNIBAL, MO. (ap-3-d-3m)

PLANK ROAD NOTICE.

THE Stockholders of the Hannibal, Ralls County and Paris Plank Road Company, will please take Notice that Seventy per cent. of the Capital Stock has been called, and is now due. Those knowing themselves delinquent, will pay the same to E. HAWKINS, Treasurer, without delay, and save cost. Sift will be instituted forthwith against all delinquents.
One 12th-11 J. D. DOWLING, President.

JOHN S. THOMSON, WHOLESALE GROCER.

Nos. 30 and 32 Second street, near Post Office.
1853. St. Louis, Mo. 1853.

HAS in store and is in receipt of the following desirable stock of Groceries, which is offered at the lowest market rates for prompt pay:
600 bbls N. O. and C. M. sugar, 300 bbls C. M. do,
1000 pkgs M. R. raisins, 3000 drums Elmer figs.
50 cases Zante currants, 50 barrels dates,
50 cases prunes, 50 cases do, in glass,
100 bbls S. S. almonds, 25 do H. S. do, 25 do filberts,
25 bbls English walnuts, 25 do cream nuts,
4000 kegs nails, 4 to 6d, 500 do blued 2 and 3d nails,
500 do fence do 6, 8 and 10, 350 do brad do, 6, 8 and 10,
100 do finishing do, 6, 8 and 10, 100 do wrought do,
75 do spikes, 4 to 7 in, 150 bxs tacks, 4 to 14 oz do,
500 bags cotton yarn, 200 do dozen do,
150 bags white cat pet warp, 100 do cold do do,
400 bales batting, 300 do candle wick,
300 do wrapping twine, 500 bbls mackerel, 1, 23, and
300 half bbls mackerel, Nos. 1, 2 and 3,
100 bbls roe herrings, 600 bxs sealed do,
50 cks Eng. codfish, 50 do Grand Bank do,
1200 bxs codfish, 100 lbs each, 20 bbls No. 1 salmon,
200 cans Baltimore Cove oysters,
50 cases sardines, whole, half and quarters,
50 bbls pecan nuts, 100 bags pea nuts,
1000 bushels dried apples, 500 do dried peaches,
60 bxs tallow candles, 200 bxs palm soap,
50 bxs Olean soap, 200 do star candles,
30 bxs sperm candles, 50 do Cystine soap,
300 bxs shaving soap, 100 cks Boston salmstrus,
20 bxs starch, 200 bbls Wilmington tar,
15 bbls linseed oil, 100 bxs chocolate,
200 bxs fire crackers, 50 kegs bar lead,
500 bags drop shot, 100 do buck shot,
1000 reams cap and letter paper, 3000 do wrapping do,
100 reams tea paper, 100 bxs lemon syrup,
1000 bags dry salt, 1000 do G. A. do, 200 do L. B. do,
600 doz 2 hoop buckets, 200 do 3 hoop do,
100 doz half buckets, 3000 p'd tubs, 3 & 8 each,
100 doz zinc wash boards, 150 bxs clothes pins,
25 doz well-buckets, 300 bxs block matches,
200 bxs Roman matches, 100 bbls oskum,
200 bbls butter and water crackers, 100 do pitch,
100 bbls rosin, 250 bxs clay pipes, 100 do stone do,
25 cases g'd Turk pipe heads, 25 bbls pearl barley,
200 demijohns, 1 to 5 gallons, 100 cks rice,
10 bbls split peas, 20 bxs British lustre,
100 bxs double refined saleratus,
10 cases Scotch ale, 25 bbls Mason's blacking,
200 half bbls city and La. S. H. molasses,
800 chests b'l green and black teas, 400 bxs do do,
100 pkgs golden syrup, 500 bxs Va. and Mo. tobacco,
300 bxs cut smok'g tobacco, 100 do cut chewing do,
100 bxs yellow bank do, 25 do Spanish smok'g do,
100 jars Macaboy snuff, 2 bbls Scotch do,
50 M regalia cigars, 30 M principe do,
50 M Havana do, 300 bxs meles do,
200 boxes Cabaard Havana sixes do,
100 bbls cider vinegar, 300 kegs rifle powder,
300 kegs blasting powder, 100 cases canister do,
2 million G. D. caps, 100 M feet safety fuse,
200 bags pepper, 100 do allspice, 10 cases nutmegs,
20 bbls cloves, 1500 matts cassia, 20 bbls g'd ginger,
25 bags rice ginger, 100 bxs mustard,
50 cases mustard, 50 kegs English do,
300 bxs Underwood's pickles, 300 do peppercorns,
100 bxs tomato catsup, 10 do Cayenne pepper,
300 bxs assorted candy, 10 do rock do,
200 bxs assorted ground spices, 500 doz bed cards,
500 coils Manila cordage assorted,
10 bbls flax sewing twine, 3000 lbs broom twine,
400 bxs window glass, 7x9 to 10x14,
100 bxs quart flasks, 300 do pt do, 50 b'l pt do,
300 bxs tumblers, ass'd, 50 do glass decanters,
200 bxs equal jars, 50 cecrons S. F. indigo,
5 cases Madras indigo, 1 do Manila do,
10 cases crop madder, 50 bbls alum,
50 bbls copperas, 25 do brimstone, 1 cks sulphur,
20 bbls chop logwood, 50 bxs extract do,
160 cases carb soda, 5 cks washing do,
10 bbls Epsom salts, 100 bxs black ink,
2 cases white chalk, 25 bbls whitening,
5 bbls putty, in bladders, 3 do camphor,
50 kegs saltpetre, 1000 doz yeast-powders,
15 cases at'd playing cards, 300 doz brooms,
10 bbls tanners' oil, 50 baskets salad oil,
200 pockets brown Java coffee, 50 bbls Jamaica do,
300 bbls N. O. molasses, 600 do city and La. S. H. do,
200 bbls loaf, pow'd and crushed sugar,
1500 bags Rio coffee, 400 bags Laguayra coffee,
LIQUORS.
200 bbls rectified whisky, 50 do Bourbon do,
100 bbls Monongahela do, 15 do rye do,
400 bbls Am. brandy, 10 do do gin.

Smith & Dick's New Family Grocery, on Market street.

THEY take this method of informing the citizens of Hannibal and vicinity, that they have opened a new family grocery store on Market street, immediately north of the market house, where they intend keeping all kinds of Groceries suited to the retail trade. We intend keeping on hand all kinds of marketing, and will be pleased to see our friends at any time when they want anything in our line. We have, and will continue to keep Fresh Meats on hand during the winter season. As we have the best opportunity of purchasing Fowls, Vegetables, &c., it will be to every man's interest to call and examine, before purchasing elsewhere, as we will have everything that can be obtained at the market house during the day.
nov27th SMITH & DICK.

FISTULE IN ANNON CURED, And all other diseases pertaining to the rectum anus, such as piles, &c.

DR. G. M. KIGHTLEY, of Ky., has located near New London, Mo., at which place he can be seen at all times, except when absent on professional business. He treats without the use of the knife or lance. He will also practice upon the principle of no cure no pay, and with little pain to the patient. All persons desiring to see him, had better write to know when and where he can be seen. He will treat all cases placed under his care at St. Louis, Hannibal or New London, and if he does not give perfect satisfaction after undertaking the case he will defray all expenses incurred. Letters post paid or personal application to Dr. G. M. KIGHTLEY, New London, Mo. ap-23 w-6m

Barber's Shop.

PETER JOHNSON,

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to the public. He keeps the best quality of razors, and keeps them sharp. He will always pay strict attention to cleanliness and neatness. He cuts and dresses hair in a style that never fails to please his customers. As a knight of the scissors and razor he yields to none in Hannibal. His charges are reasonably low. As he intends to continue fitting up and improving his establishment, as fast as his means will allow, he hopes to have the patronage of the citizens of Hannibal, whose well known chief characteristic of energy, leads them to desire to see everything on the progressive march. Recollect it is the shop nearest to Hickman's Store. It is on the west side of Main street, two doors north of Bird street.
(ap-23-d-1y)

TAILORING.

JAMES THOMPSON, & JOHN A. LENNON,
the Lime Man, Merchant Tailor,

HAVE associated themselves together for the purpose of carrying on the TAILORING BUSINESS in all its various branches. On Main street, one door north of the Brady House, and next door to C. W. Bryan's Store. They have and will keep, the best of Journeymen all the time, and will execute Work as Expeditiously, as neatly and as fashionably as they know how. We will not say we will beat the man that makes the fashions, but will say they will keep as near the pictures as possible.

Mr. Lennon has the largest, best and cheapest stock of Cloths, Cassimeres, V-tings, Trimmings and Summer Goods, that Hannibal ever had the good luck to have in it.

Give us a call gentlemen, you are bound to be suited in my kind, or quality of Goods.
Hannibal, April 29, 1853.—49m

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

Commission and Forwarding House.

JOSEPH MOGRIDGE, FRANCIS McFAUL.

Mogridge & McFaul,

(Late Twichell & Mogridge.)

Corner Commercial and Pine streets, St. Louis. CONSIGNMENT and Commissions will meet with prompt and personal attention, and liberal cash advances will be given on Consignments or Bills of Lading in hand.

The forwarding and receiving of merchandise and produce will meet with especial care and dispatch; the lowest rates of freight will always be procured, and the expense of storage and drayage as much as possible avoided.

Orders for purchasing filled at the shortest notice and to best market prices.

REPRESENTS:

J. & T. Walsh, Page & Bacon, Charles, Blow & Co., St. Louis, Crockett & Valle, Dean, King & Co., New & March, Frost & Perrot, New York, Charles A. Meigs, T. C. Twichell & Co., New Orleans.

We have an open policy of insurance, which will cover all shipments to our address, when advised by letter per mail, or when endorsed on bills of lading before, or at the time of shipment.

MOGRIDGE & McFAUL.

St. Louis, Jan. 29, 1853.

House and Lot for Sale.

THE undersigned wishes to sell his House and Lot, situated on Sixth, between Bird and Hill Streets. It is a one story frame house, fixed comfortably for a small family, with all the necessary out buildings, a good garden, all kinds of shrubbery, and a fine well of water.

Possession given immediately, and indisputable title. For terms &c., apply at the Messenger office, or to Jan 27-11. A. B. McDONALD.

Daguerreotypes! Daguerreotypes!! W. P. PITTS.

Resident Daguerreotype Artist, would simply remind the citizens of Hannibal and surrounding country that he is still taking pictures at his Gallery on Main street, over Wilson's hardware store, and would inform them, that from recent additions to his stock, and his increased facilities, he is now prepared to take pictures in a style far superior to any heretofore taken in this city, and at reduced prices. Call and examine.
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AT THE

Philadelphia Clothing Store, In Commercial Row.

IS A VERY SUPERIOR lot of Clothing, of latest styles, suitable for Spring and Summer wear. The prices are very low, and as the goods are all well selected, and of good material, purchasers cannot fail to be suited. We have Boots and shoes, Hats and Caps, Carpet Bags, Ladies' Shoes, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Gloves, &c.—Chiefly Clothing, but a little of everything else. I consider it no trouble to show goods, and would be pleased to wait on the people, and be their obedient, humble servant, so far as offering inducements for their dress is concerned.
mch30 d2m* B. CRANSTON, Agent.

THOS. S. MILLER.

GEO. B. POGUE.

MILLER & POGUE, (Successors to Thos. S. Miller.)

Wholesale Grocers & General Commission Merchants, No. 3 Levee, Hannibal, Mo.

"Co-Partnership."

THE undersigned have entered into co-partnership for the purpose of transacting the Grocery and General Commission business, under the name and style of MILLER & POGUE at the old stand of Thos. S. Miller, No. 3. Levee.

THOS. S. MILLER,

GEO. B. POGUE.

Hannibal, June 10, 1852.

(j-10-11)

Notice.

THE firm of Curtis, Lockwood & Coleman, have this day dissolved by mutual consent. Our business will continue under the name of Curtis & Lockwood, who will pay all demands against the late firm, and Receipt for all moneys due the same.
April 21, 1853.

A. CURTIS.

E. A. LOCKWOOD.

MONROE COLEMAN.

Thankful for past favors, and in want of more, we would call the attention of the Ladies and Gentlemen to our new stock of

Dry Goods and Groceries.

Which we pledge ourselves to sell on fair terms as reasonable profits.

Respectfully Yours,

(ap-26-d-2w11) CURTIS & LOCKWOOD.

TOBACCO PREMIUMS. PLANTERS' WAREHOUSE.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

THE regular Annual Premiums for the four best hogheads of tobacco, the growth of this State, will be awarded on Friday, 17th June next, as follows:

For the first premium hhd. manufacturing tobacco, \$70
" second " " " " 35
" first " " shipping " 50
" second " " " " 25

The Judges will, as formerly, be selected by the Planters, or their agents.

It is desirable that tobacco intended for competition, should be shipped so as to arrive in St. Louis a week previous to the day of sale and be marked "Premium."

All tobacco consigned to us will be covered by our policy of insurance, by writing "insured" on the bill of lading, at \$75 per hhd., where no particular amount is specified. BERTHOUD & SON, Proprietors.
(ap-14-d-2w-2m)

RAILROAD DEPOT LOCATED!

It is not yet determined where.

But C. W. BRYAN wants

\$10,000 in Gold,

At the St. Louis Store, for which he will give in exchange,

Filley's Celebrated Charcoal Oak and Pioneer Cook Stoves,

At the Lowest Cash Price.

St. Louis Store, Main Street, two doors North of the Brady House. C. W. BRYAN.
(mch22-d-w6m)

DON'T READ THIS!

WE the undersigned, having used Giles F. Filley's Celebrated

"CHARTER OAK"

"AIR-TIGHT,"

Cooking Stove, Manufactured by Filley of St. Louis, and sold by

C. W. BRYAN,

Of Hannibal, Mo.,

Take pleasure in recommending them to the public as superior in point of draft, economy of fuel, convenience and ease of regulation, to any Air-Tight Cook Stove which we have ever seen used.

M. F. Robinson, John Partridge, William Shoel, P. Besty, J. P. Clark, John Withers, Gardner Smith, Dr. M. F. Brown.
(ap-7-d-1y.)

JUST RECEIVED,

And for sale at the "Lone Building" corner of Main and Bird streets.

ALL KINDS OF GARDEN SEEDS—Onion sets, Blue grass and timothy seeds; Clover seed by the barrel or bushel. A general assortment of Groceries, Wooden and Willow Ware, Brooms, Cotton Yarns; Cotton batting. All kinds of Nuts, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, and a host of articles not mentioned here; Likewise, a thousand things that is not here for sale. anxious to sell all for CASH UP AND THE MONEY DOWN. Like to forget one thing, the Eagle Mills flour is here too! mar18dtf T. JACKSON.

Flour! Flour! Flour!

Arrona Mill.

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS coming to Hannibal with the intention of selling wheat and buying flour, would do well to call and see us before selling or purchasing elsewhere. Remember the big stone Mill on Bird, between Main and Third streets. Give us a call. A. R. ROBARDS & SON.

N. B. Our Flour is sold nowhere else but at the Mill. Every sack and barrel is branded with our name on it.
mch21dtf "A. R. ROBARDS & SON."

Cheapest and Best Writing Ink.

L. BRITTINGHAM & BRO. are now manufacturing Black Writing Ink of a superior quality, which they sell very cheap—thirty cents a dozen cones, or five cents a pint. Steel pens may be left standing in this ink any length of time without corroding.
P. S.—At wholesale, they will sell it at \$10 a barrel.
[mch-23-d-11]

New Boot and Shoe Manufactory!

THE UNDERSIGNED takes this method of informing his old customers, friends and the public generally, that I have again commenced the manufacture of Boots and Shoes of the very best material. Persons wishing articles in my line will do well to give me a call, before purchasing elsewhere, as my stock is well selected, comprising the best article of French and American calf skins, ditto kip, ditto upper, all of which I will make to order at the shortest notice.

Shop on Hill street, a few doors east of Selmes' Store.

RICHARD FITZPATRICK.

P. S.—I will keep constantly on hand an assortment of fine calf boots, kip boots; also, coarse boots and shoes, which I will warrant to be of the very best quality.
[mch26-d-1m-11] R. F.